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## **Testimony**

## In Support of H.B. 5744 AA Prohibiting Gasoline Zone Pricing

## **General Law Committee**

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Dear Senator Doyle, Representative Taborsak, Senator Witkos, Representative Rebimbas and members of the General Law Committee:

I am writing to ask for your support of H.B. 5744, An Act Prohibiting Gasoline Zone Pricing.

In addition to several high cost of living factors, we in Fairfield County pay the highest prices for gasoline in our State. The main reason for this is the predatory and discriminatory practices of the oil companies. To charge as much as 40 cents a gallon more in our part of the state as compared to the rest of Connecticut is unfair and unethical. Families struggle in Fairfield County as they do in the other six counties and this extra burden that is placed on them should not be allowed to continue.

Additionally, at a time when we are trying to retain companies as well as recruit new businesses from other states, the quality of life issues, tax issues and cost of living expenses compounded with the zone pricing here in Fairfield County works against us even more and ultimately hurts the state.

I urge you to support this bill and would be happy to discuss any concerns that you may have.

Sincerely,

Fred Camillo State Representative 151st House District

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